

of claims directed to the material itself; the following is a representative claim from Pulvari (see 157 U.S.P.Q. at 169):

1. A ferr i electric body having ferroelectric properties, said body consisting essentially of an incompletely compensated antiferroelctric material having an unbalanced antidipole.

The material claims in Pulvari are totally different from the method of use claims rejected in this application. Both the general method (reducing hair growth through topical application of a composition) covered by claim 1 and the class of compounds (inhibitors of telomerase) used in the method are understandable. That is all that is required under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2. Pulvari does not support a 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2 rejection of claim 1; it is not clear how Pulvari even relates to claim 1.

#### Conclusion

For the reasons explained above, the rejection of claims 1 and 33-48 should be withdrawn.

Applicants note that the Examiner has requested a revised abstract. The basis for the request essentially appears the same as the basis for the 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 1 and a 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2 rejections. Applicants do not believe a new abstract is required. However, if the Examiner withdraws the rejections but still wants a revised abstract, applicants will consider providing one to advance prosecution.

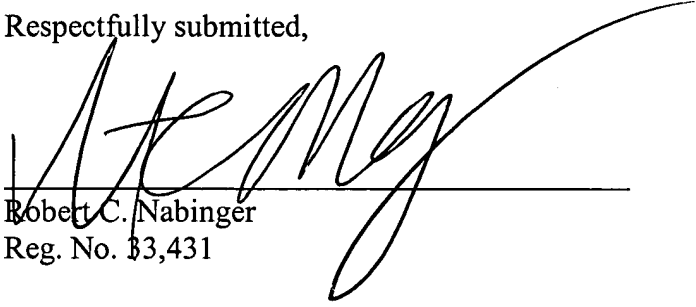
Applicants believe that the claims are in condition for allowance, and such action is requested. Enclosed is a \$410.00 check for the Petition for Extension of Time fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

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